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In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 CFR §1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with CFR §§1.97 and 1.98. Enclosed herewith is form PTO-1449 which lists the documents being submitted for consideration by the Examiner. Copies of the cited documents are also enclosed herewith.

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Attorney Docket No. P-108-US2 Application Serial No.: 10/659,931 Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3)(i), concise explanations of the relevance of the following non-English language document is provided:

(1) FR 2 496 653 (in French language) discloses heterocyclic aminoalcoyl derivatives useful as drugs, especially analgesics and antidepressants. To the best of Applicant's knowledge, U. S. Patent No. US 4,386,090, listed as Citation A2 on the accompanying PTO form 1449, is an English language translation of FR 2 496 653, listed as Citation B3.

Consideration of the listed documents is respectfully requested. Additionally, the Examiner is respectfully requested to return an initialed copy of the enclosed form PTO-1449 to Applicants.

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